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<b>Request For Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal</b>  Address to: MS RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450	<i>Application Number</i>	09/588,008
	<i>Filing Date</i>	June 6, 2000
	<i>First Named Inventor</i>	Dan Gealy
	<i>Art Unit</i>	2814
	<i>Examiner Name</i>	Vikki Trinh
	<i>Attorney Docket No.</i>	M4065.0210/P210

**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.**

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application.

1. **Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

a. ☒ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.

i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_

ii. ☒ Other The Statement of Common Ownership filed on Oct. 15, 2003

b. ☒ Enclosed

i. ☒ Amendment/Reply

iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iv. ☒ Other Correspondence to the Examiner

2. **Miscellaneous**

a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)

b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

a. ☐ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. \_\_\_\_\_

i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)

ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)

iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed

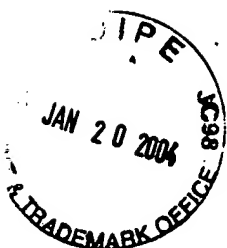
c. ☒ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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Signature		Date	January 20, 2004

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<b>FEE TRANSMITTAL</b>		<b>Compl t if Known</b>	
<b>for FY 2004</b>		Application Number	09/588,008
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<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27		First Named Inventor	Dan Gealy
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<b>TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT</b>	<b>(\$)</b> 770.00	Attorney Docket No.	M4065.0210/P210

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1002	340	2002	170	Design filing fee	
1003	530	2003	265	Plant filing fee	
1004	770	2004	385	Reissue filing fee	
1005	160	2005	80	Provisional filing fee	
<b>SUBTOTAL (1)</b>				<b>(\$)</b>	0.00

<b>2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE</b>					
Total Claims		Extra Claims	Fee below	Fee Paid	
Independent Claims		** =	x	=	
Multiple Dependent		** =	x	=	
<b>Large Entity    Small Entity</b>					
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	
1202	18	2202	9	Claims in excess of 20	
1201	86	2201	43	Independent claims in excess of 3	
1203	290	2203	145	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	
1204	86	2204	43	** Reissue independent claims over original patent	
1205	18	2205	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent	
<b>SUBTOTAL (2)</b>				<b>(\$)</b>	0.00
<small>**or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see above</small>					

<b>SUBMITTED BY</b>		<b>(Complete (if applicable))</b>	
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